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Dear Bob:

It was good seeing you and Dr. Lederberg. On the way home I gave some thought to people who might be appropriate.

We had discussed largely psychiatrists who were also basic researchers but who could give impetus to clinical research by their colleagues. It also might be feasible to recruit a biological psychiatrist whose primary work was clinical but who could have in his division talented young people doing basic research. For this possibility I would recommend William Bunney, currently head of the Biological Psychiatry Branch at the NIMH in Bethesda. A second possibility would be James Maas, now at Yale.

We talked about somewhat more junior people who are psychiatrists and basic researchers. Besides the names that I mentioned, I have thought of Boyd Hartman, at Washington University in St. Louis, Elliott Richelson at the Mayo Clinic, Roland Ciaranello at Stanford and Andrew Winokur at the University of Pennsylvania. Hartman trained with Sidney Udenfriend and presently his research focuses on histochemical localization of neurotransmitter containing neuronal systems. Elliott Richelson worked with me as a medical student at Hopkins, and subsequently spent three years with Marshall Nirenberg at the NIH. He studies neurotransmitter disposition in cells in culture. Roland Ciaranello was a research associate with Julius Axelrod, and is particularly interested in genetic regulation of neurotransmitters. Andrew Winokur has done some exciting work in peptide disposition in the brain, particularly focused on TRH as a neurotransmitter. All four of these people are interested in the clinical relevance of their research and are roughly of comparable quality. In seniority, they are all approximately at the level of Joe Coyle. I would feel that Joe Coyle is more talented, but objectively, one could consider that these four are roughly in the same category as Joe in terms of accomplishments.

Enclosed are my travel expenses.

Cordially,



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cc: Dr. Joshua Lederberg